



"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place," Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

## Ladies' Willing Workers Band

By J. H. WALKER, General Overseer

When Moses had been commanded of God to build a tabernacle and have the people bring gifts for it, the *women* were very liberal in their helping to furnish things for the tabernacle—the house of God to them.

Read Exodus 35:25, 26. "All the women that were wise hearted did spin with their hands, and brought that which they had spun, both of blue, and of purple, and of scarlet, and of fine linen. And all the women whose heart stirred them up in wisdom spun goats' hair."

I realize this is Old Testament scripture but we can find in it that even in Moses' day the women were willing workers, WISE HEARTED, WILLING WORKERS, STIRRED UP IN WISDOM, working with their hands, spinning and making things for the house of God.

In the New Testament we find that Sister Dorcas, the blessed good woman, made so many useful things to help the poor. God honored her work and restored her to life. We further notice that in the New Testament the women have special distinction, for instance:

The last at the cross. Mark 15:47.

First at the tomb. John 20:1.

First to proclaim the resurrection. Matt. 28:8.

First preacher to the Jews. Luke 2:37, 38.

Attended the first prayer meeting. Acts 1:14.

First to greet Christian missionaries in Europe (Paul and Silas). Acts 16:13.

First European converts. Acts 16:14,

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Why should they not have a part in spreading the gospel to-day? Our histories give glowing accounts of marvelous work done by the women through the centuries. There has been among them many a holy, consecrated messenger of the cross that has lead many, many souls to God. Numbers of women through love for others have done many things toward relieving suffering humanity.

Why not give them a chance to help in bearing the financial burden of the Church? Why not let them, when their hearts are stirred up in WISDOM, spin, embroider, make aprons, scarfs, and many useful household articles, which they can give to the house of God? Of course, we don't need those things in the church houses, at least not all, but they can sell these things and bring the money into the local church to help in the many opportunities to do the work God would have done.

We don't think that our good mothers and sisters of the Church would plan in their meetings to run or direct the affairs of the church, taking such responsibilities as rightfully belong to the finance committee of the brethren and the pastor of the church. They know their places and have already proved their worthy aid in a number of churches in some of the states long before the measure was presented to the Assembly for national recognition.

I heard of one place where the people desired to have a new church building

and the men sat around and wished that they had a building and did nothing about it (you know generally everybody's business is nobody's business), but the *Ladies' Willing Workers Band* became interested and beside just praying about the building, they set to work and before the men were aware of it they had several hundred dollars together, then the men, of course, were glad to jump right in and help.

But, Brother Walker, aren't you afraid our women will get too worldly in such bands or societies, etc.?

Just because some nominal churches have gone too far with such societies, giving socials, box-suppers, clam-bakes, oyster-stews (with very few oysters), in fact making two and three hundred per cent profit on the various projects putting on church fairs, which are unfair to the merchants whom they almost force to furnish supplies for the display and sale, and then almost force the people to buy, thus creating such an ill feeling toward the church, beside allowing the worldliness to creep in under such conditions, I say, is not a sufficient reason or proof that our good church women should just sit back and do nothing when they too feel the burden and want to see the Church work go on. We could not even have churches to-day if failures among them should be sufficient reason why we should not have them.

There should be no objections anywhere for the LADIES to do sewing, embroidery work, making cakes and deli-

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## Notices

The Church of God at Canton, N. C. will have all-day service on Jan. 24. All members are requested to be present. We would be glad for all the nearby churches to come be with us.—J. M. Snyder, pastor.

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If anyone desires me for a meeting, my address is Overton, Tex., Gen. Del. I stand for the Church of God and can give good references if you wish.—J. F. Brown.

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If anyone wants to write me, my address will be 322 Harrison St., c/o E. C. Clark, Clarksburg, W. Va. as I have been made state evangelist for West Virginia.—R. H. Tadlock.

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Notice to all the members who have their names on the church book at Bisbee and Phoenix, Ariz.: Please send in your ten cents for the old ministers as we want to go over the top on that as soon as possible. Please don't forget.—John Sharp, district pastor, Bisbee, Ariz., Gen. Del.

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We have just had the privilege of meeting the Spanish folks in Tucson, Ariz. and setting a new church in order with ten members and around twenty more to come in. Please pray for the state of Arizona. Santiago Huerto, pastor; Benjamin Polocios, clerk.—John Sharp, Bisbee, Ariz.

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If anyone knows the address of Horace Lewis, please let us know.—Church of God Publishing House.

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All people in Maine, Vermont, and New Hampshire desiring Minutes, please order from G. M. Bloomingdale, Exeter Corner, Me.

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To the people in Mississippi: Please order your Minutes from your state overseer, M. J. Headley, Box 155, Eupora, Miss.

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All people in Arkansas wanting to purchase Minutes, please order from R. R. Martin, Nettleton, Ark.

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Brother Ganz has just closed a good revival at Elizabethtown, Ill. where a number of souls were blessed, and the Church of God was set in order Sunday evening, Dec. 27, by our state overseer, J. R. Thomas. This is a new field and will need your prayers.

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To Sunday School superintendents and

Y. P. E. presidents of South Carolina: I have mailed out report cards to all the churches and hope it will be convenient for you to send in your reports by the 5th of each month as you know there is a national banner given at the Assembly for the Y. P. E. We want you to work hard and report so we will be able to know if there is an increase in your school. There is also a state banner awarded the Sunday School on the same plan. If by any chance I failed to send each church report cards, please let me know and I will send you cards. We are asking each church to send not less than twenty-five cents to cover cost of printing and mailing. Y. P. E. presidents, the Publishing House has printed a secretary book for Y. P. E's for fifteen cents each. Please order one for your Y. P. E. so an accurate report can be kept of each meeting. Please send all funds for report cards to Mrs. Helen Grant, state secretary and treasurer, 8 Front St., Saxon, Spartanburg, S. C.—C. F. Grant.

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Here it is again! What? Another opportunity to visit these beautiful islands and enjoy the blessed fellowship of the saints in our 17th annual convention, which convenes in the city of Nassau, Jan. 15-17 inclusive. There is an airplane mail service daily from Miami to this beautiful tourist resort and also large steamboats which make a regular schedule of about three times a week to this city. Come over and enjoy a special refreshing of that old time gospel in sermon and song. We are expecting some of the most beautiful singing—quartets and solos from native trained voices, also some of the most inspiring messages from Spirit-filled men. You will be missing one of the most blessed times of your life if you miss this great feast.

Jan. 10, 11 will be our special days of fasting and prayer and we humbly request a special interest in your prayers at that time. This might be our last annual convention in these islands, and should our dear Lord come in the clouds while we are enjoying this blessed meeting, it will be so grand to be caught up from here to meet Him in the air.—Yours awaiting His soon comine, William R. Franks, asst. overseer of Bahamas.

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To the Church of God in Oklahoma: Since I have been appointed state superintendent of the Willing Workers, I am asking each pastor to please encourage this part of their church work. If you have no band organized at present, I advise you to do so at once. It will prove a blessing in solving some of your financial problems. As you no doubt know, this auxiliary has been adopted by the General Assembly, thereby making it a national organization of the church. See

1936 Minutes. We are also asking for a quarterly report from each local president, January, April, and July 1st. This will give us three quarterly reports from each local church in time for our state convention. The local church having the best report will be awarded a state banner. We will be glad to help and advise you at any time relative to your Willing Workers' work. Write me at Box 115, Lawton, Okla.—Mrs. S. J. Wood.

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To the pastors in Oklahoma: Those who have not gone over the top on the aged ministers' fund, please, without fail, complete this by the second Sunday in February. Our state mission treasurer's report shows some are getting too far behind on their mission quota. Be sure and keep this up also. Send fifty per cent of same to A. E. Opsata, Maud, Okla.—Your brother and servant, S. J. Wood, Box 115, Lawton, Okla.

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New Year's greetings to the churches, ministers, and friends in the state of Mississippi. We certainly appreciate the way you have been co-operating with us in putting the church program over and we are glad to say that with just a few exceptions all clerks and ministers are reporting. Now if you are in the number that has been failing to report, please let us start the New Year right by making our report to both Headquarters and state overseer as information asked for on these reports is much needed.

My dear pastors, I have just visited with Brother W. B. Wimberly, our state mission treasurer, and he tells me that very few are mailing missions to him. It is true that we have a state obligation of twenty-five cents per member, but this does not take care of missions as the Assembly asked us to raise five per cent of the gross amount of tithes, paid in for missions. Therefore, let us raise this and mail one-half of same to General Secretary and half to Brother W. B. Wimberly, Houston, Miss. If you will notice in the Evangel, you will see where others have already raised their aged ministers' assessment of ten cents per member. I am sure you do not want to be behind, so let us raise this by the time your district convention convenes.

Remember that each church clerk will be expected to report at their respective district convention, and I am sure you will want to report one hundred per cent with the others. I say others because there are some churches in the state which have already raised their assessments, both aged ministers and state headquarters.

The state headquarters committee met Dec. 17 and accepted the proposition at

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# Who'll Go in the Rapture

S. W. LATIMER, Editor and Publisher

*"Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years," Rev. 20:6.*

Our text teaches us that not only will we have to be holy but blessed and holy. In Heb. 12:13, 14, the writer admonishes us to follow peace with all men and holiness without which no man shall see the Lord. We feel that this means much to those who are expecting to meet Jesus and reign with Him in peace.

The general trend of the scriptures all the way through the Bible is that God expects His people to be holy. In 1 Peter 1:13-16 we are admonished to gird up the loins of our minds and be sober and to be obedient children, not fashioning ourselves to former lust. But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy. Peter is quoting directly from Lev. 11:44 where the Lord in talking to Moses gave him a command to tell the people to be holy for the Lord his God was a holy God. He also commanded them not to defile themselves with any food or forbidden things. Lev. 20:7. He gave a command for them to sanctify themselves and "be ye holy: for I am the Lord your God." Now God is only asking the people to measure to the standard and the authority and foundation of all the commands of a holy life. If you notice, this is spelled h-o-l-y. All through the Scriptures when God's holiness is mentioned it is spelled the same way. So then we can attain to a holiness that is commanded or acquired in the Word of God.

Luke 1:73-75, "The oath which he sware to our father Abraham, that he would grant unto us, that we being delivered out of the hands of our enemies might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him, all the days of our life." Here we notice that it is possible for us to be holy in this life and that this holiness continues from the time of the application of the blood until the end of life.

In Thess. 5:14-23 we are admonished to warn those who are unruly, to comfort the feeble-minded, see that none render evil for evil unto any man, follow that which is good, in every thing give thanks, abstain from all appearance of evil, and the very God of peace sanctify you WHOLLY, your whole spirit, soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Here we have the word

"wholly" spelled the way we spell it when we refer to God's holiness. This means spirit, soul, and body, and we are to be preserved unto the coming of Jesus. People who have this experience and retain it until Jesus comes, will go in the rapture.

We are also admonished not to work evil to any man. I would like for you to read these references and ponder over them and see if you can measure to this standard. God has ordained from the foundation of the world that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, Eph. 1:4. This means that God's people must be holy if they are His chosen people. There are so many things that confront us in these days that I feel we should carefully consider these scriptures and apply them to our hearts.

Gal. 5:17-21, "For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would. But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law. Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these: Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God." "They which do these things shall not inherit the kingdom of God." Here is a plain scripture that should bring to our hearts a solemn truth.

Gal. 5:22-26, "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another." Here we have the fruits of the Spirit given from the precious Book, that ought to be a benediction and blessing to every heart.

I ask my readers to please read 1 Peter 2:1-20. This is a great admonition given by this wonderful man of God. It presents the trial of faith and the meekness by which we shall meet such trial, giving us the source from whence all blessings come, and I feel that this will be a blessing to any one in his struggle for victory in the Christian life.

Read Matt. 25:1-13. Here we have

what Jesus had to say concerning the ten virgins. If we notice, these are all virgins. They are all moving along expecting to meet the bridegroom. The virgins had one purpose, all were waiting, all were longing to see him. Seemingly all of them were confident of their preparedness. They seemed to be confident of their attitude toward others; satisfied with their life of happiness. There is nothing said as to whether part of the company had any criticism to offer or not. They were going to meet the bridegroom, expecting that they would be acceptable. There is much said in the description of oriental weddings and the customs thereof that I cannot mention for the lack of space, but this is not so important. Here Christ takes the oriental custom and applies it to the company that shall expect the return of the Savior or the Bridegroom, and gives us some warnings concerning the practical things pertaining to the duties of the Christian life to others.

This company was moving along all together, they tarried together, they arose together, they trimmed their lamps together. The word "virgin" in Matt. 25 is in the neuter gender. It refers to male and female, Christians of any age or class, married or single. Properly, the word "virgin" refers to an unmarried woman who has guarded her virtue, but "virgin" is often used in the Scriptures for a people, a city, a nation—the virgin daughters of Babylon, the virgin daughters of Zion, the virgin daughters of Israel—showing plainly that the word "virgin" has a broader meaning than just a single, unmarried woman. Here Christ tells us that the kingdom of heaven shall be like ten virgins which took their lamps. They are called virgins because they made a profession of holiness, yet only five were ready. These five not only made a profession but fed their profession. They had the real truth and that blessing in the heart that is so essential to every Christian life.

We read in Rev. 14:4, 5, "These are they that were not defiled with women; for they are virgins. These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb. And in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God." This scripture refers to the Lamb of God and the one hundred and forty-four thousand. The word "women" refers to or-

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shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away," saith the Lord. Why will not one jot or one tittle of God's Word pass away until all be fulfilled? The Psalmist gives a reason, "For ever, O Lord, thy Word is settled in heaven," Psalms 119:89.

There is much being said concerning the re-gathering of Israel and the many persecutions that are visiting them in these days. But this is nothing strange when we think that God, who knoweth the end, from the beginning, has revealed through His faithful prophets the things that shall come to pass. He has caused to be put on record in His Word, the divine plan for the redemption of this world. He has shown the stages through which the world will pass in the process of this redemption.

Prophecy today is being fulfilled before our eyes, if we only have eyes to see it. May David's prayer be our prayer, "Open thou mine eyes that I may behold the wondrous things out of thy law."

Among the great prophecies of the Bible the prophecies of Ezekiel occupy a place of highest importance. The Holy Ghost gives us, as it were, a moving picture of the world's events. Many of these events are yet in the future.

We should bear in mind that God spoke through His prophets of men and nations only as they were connected with His dealings with Israel.

In Ezekiel we have Israel's history, past, present, and future. And with that history we have recorded the part concerning nations that will play an important part in the tragic world drama to be enacted upon the earth.

In the 36th chapter of Ezekiel we see the scattering and re-gathering of Israel. God spoke to the prophet saying, "Also thou son of man, prophesy with the mountains of Israel and say, Ye mountains of Israel, hear the word of the Lord." In the 19th verse of this chapter we read, "I scattered them among the heathen, and they were dispersed through the countries; according to their way and according to their doings I judge them."

We should remember that the word "heathen" in these prophecies means "nations" and refers to Gentile nations. At the time of Israel's glory all nations round about them were called heathen nations because they did not recognize God as the supreme Being. So Israel has been scattered for these many years among the Gentile nations. They have been the people of the "wandering feet."

Turn to Ezekiel 36:17-20, "Son of man, when the house of Israel dwelt in their own land, they defiled it by their own way and by their doings: their way was before me as the uncleanness of a removed woman. Wherefore I poured

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## ✿ Editorials ✿

### PROPHECY

Those who wish to study prophecy will do well to study the book of Ezekiel. This is said by many to be one of the greatest prophecy documents in the Bible. You will find many things in Ezekiel's prophecy that throws great light on Daniel and Revelation. Ezekiel was carried away to Babylon between the first and final deportation of Jerusalem, 2 Kings 24:11-16. Like Daniel and the Apostle John, he prophesied out of the land, and in his prophecy, like theirs, follows the method of symbols and visions. Speaking broadly, the purpose of his ministry is to keep before the generation born in exile the national sins which had brought Israel so low.

### THE VISION OF GLORY

Ezekiel was one of the holy men of God, who spoke as he was moved or as God impressed him to speak. He spoke no message out of his own heart but spoke only as the Spirit moved upon him. He was not ruled by human wisdom but by those things which God had revealed to him. He keeps before Israel their transgressions and tells them the reason of their captivity and persecutions is because they fail to obey God.

So many things will be made plain to the reader by reading the whole book of Ezekiel. His first vision was the whirlwind that God brought before him and the things that appeared out of the cloud of fire. Out of the midst of this whirlwind came the likeness of four living creatures. Of course, he describes in the second paragraph what these creatures were like and what they represented. It will be interesting to read the first chapter of Ezekiel to get this.

### THE SURE WORD OF PROPHECY

In Peter's writings he tells us in 2 Peter 1:19 prophecy is a sure word which can be depended upon by all those who will listen to the Spirit of the Lord. Of course, these prophecies were spoken

595 years before Jesus made His first advent into the world.

All that God spoke by His holy prophets has and will come to pass before the closing of the church age and the tribulation period. Ezekiel says that while he was among the captives by the river Chebar the "heavens were opened" and he "saw a vision of God." God spoke through Ezekiel's own heart to the people, giving them the wisdom that He would have them understand. Peter said this is a "sure word" of prophecy. In other words, this prophecy can be depended upon, because it has its origin in God. God presents these things as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day star arise. This day star evidently represents Jesus. Jesus was the one who brought the light into the dark place. In other words, Jesus shined the light on the darkness and sin of the men and women that dwelt in the land in that day. That light is still shining. The reason why men reject prophecy and light is because it shows up the defect in their lives and causes others to see their errors, and of course, it would be perfectly natural that they would object to it.

### A MARVELOUS BOOK

The Bible is indeed a marvelous Book from beginning to end. It is not out of date. Everything that has happened is according to its prophecy. It is the most up-to-date Book in all the world. It contains the prehistory of the human family, also the present history and the future history of all nations. The Bible gave names to men hundreds of years before they were born and told what would happen to them. Especially do we find this in Isaiah 53 concerning Jesus. This Psalmist wrote many things that were for the future. He also wrote concerning the crucifixion of Jesus and the tribulation that would come on the world, and when we rightly interpret the Bible we can find anything pertaining to the future in its pages. The rise and fall of every nation is recorded in this precious, sacred writ. "Heaven and earth

# The Perry-Scope

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## THE CHRISTIAN'S SPIRIT

The spirit or disposition of the Christian has much to do with it. The man who walks with God is completely transformed within and without. He possesses a manner, disposition, and spirit which are peculiarly his own. He does not inherit or acquire it by practice but God gives it to him when He saves him.

1. It is a disposition of love. It is said that "God is love," and His children have that love "shed abroad" in them "by the Holy Ghost." They do not possess hate, resentment, ill-will, but instead they have love, which dominates their spirit and shows out in their words, and ways, and general conduct.

2. Kindness, which is the result or outgrowth of love within them, is the outward manner possessed by them. It was Paul who said, "Be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted."

3. Jesus said, "Forgive and ye shall be forgiven." The Christian's spirit is that of forgiveness. For him to refuse forgiveness to anyone would mean to forfeit his own standing. "If ye forgive not, neither will your father forgive you." This spirit goes so far as to overlook the faults and failures of others so that they are not critically judged. Can this not be the "love that covers"?

4. Much is said of the Christian's patience, a patience that sweeps down through all of the experiences of life to the coming of Jesus. It covers our dealings with others and what we think we have a right to expect of them and do not get. It applies to our own lives, with all of our failures and disappointments. It covers all of our dealings with God, and our waiting on Him for the fullness of time when He is to act in us or for us. "Let patience have her perfect work."

5. Who can say the Christian's spirit is not to be that which was possessed by the Master Himself? When John said, "As he is, so are we in this world" (1 John 4:17), did he really mean it? And it was Paul who said, "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus" (Phil. 2:5), and may it not have been the spirit and mind of Jesus possessed by Peter and John that caused the people to "take knowledge of them that they had been with Jesus"? (Acts 4:13.) May His own life and Spirit so possess us that

our lives may remind others of Him.

## THE YOUNGER GENERATION

A certain writer says, "The younger generation is, on the whole, better than its elders have any right to expect." He further says, "Jazz fathers and mothers need not be surprised if they have jazz children."

If our youth is to travel in paths of virtue and truth, certain causes must contribute to bring it about. Weeds will grow up uncultivated, but virtue is a tender and fragile flower which grows in "an atmosphere of good example, sound instruction, and loving care."

Let the parents of to-day be warned that God's Word is still true, "Whatever a man soweth that shall he reap," and this applies to the duties of parents to children. From the movies, keeping late hours, cards, the dance, places of questionable amusements comes a great harvest, drunkards, thieves, criminals, hardened souls. Where are the parents of to-day?

## Young People's Corner

### TO BE A CHRISTIAN IS THE BEST THING

We have preachers who preach morality, soberness, honesty, industry, etc., but the best thing is to be a Christian, because that embraces every good thing. Men delight in plucking good fruit from good trees; but happy is the man who owns the good tree and its good fruit too. That is the Christian.

1. To be a Christian means to live the good, true life every day. How few there are who do not desire or have at sometime desired to so live, but how many miss it because they fail to go to Jesus for His help, or in some way they let sin beguile and lead them astray.

2. It is best and pays under all conditions to live the Christian life. There is never a time or a place when it is proper to lay it aside on account of something else, no not for a moment. If in pleasure, or temptation, or even in persecution, the very best thing to do is to hold on to the Lord and stand by all of the principles of His Word.

3. How beautiful a thing it is to live

the Christian life in the home. And it is equally so in the school or shop, in business, or anywhere else. The Christian's influence and example are needed in every walk of life, that men and women may be reminded of their obligation to the Lord and turn to Him. Jesus said, "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven."

4. To lead a Christian life men must deal directly with the Lord. It is to adjust our life and thought to Him, as He is revealed in His Word. Whatever cannot be honestly harmonized with Him must be cast out. To have His smile and approval means everything to those who worship Him.

5. The final reward of the Christian is worth our most careful consideration. If the coming of Jesus and events connected with it mean to the saints what Jesus and His apostles have said, then no hardship, pain, or self-denial should be worth a notice. On the other hand, the portion of the sinner and hypocrite is so fearful that men should shun it at any cost. No matter how much or what it might be, "The wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life," Rom. 6:23.

Recently a new book has been written on the general idea that historically the Church has produced weak men. "But it does not explain a 120-pound Wesley preaching 42,000 sermons in fifty years, or the martyrs at their stakes, or the Billy Sunday who quit drinking and made thousands of others quit, or that timid little shoe clerk named Moody who shook the country from Maine to California and made tens of thousands of the wretched and hopeless say in strength, 'Once I was blind, but now I see.' That's hardly weakness."—Selected.

If you do not pray, God will probably lay you aside from your ministry, as He did me, to teach you to pray. Remember Luther's maxim, "To have prayed well is to have studied well." Get your text from God, your thoughts, your words.—Robert McCheyne.

To one greatly discouraged a friend wrote: "Pay as little attention to discouragements as possible. Plough ahead as a steamer does, rough or smooth, rain or shine. To carry your cargo and make your port is the point."

## Request

Services are good at this place. Pray that God will give us souls. Also pray for our Sunday School. We have services three times a week.—G. B. Byrne, pastor, Ferris, Tex.

# Jesus the Master

BY A. J. BEARD

The meaning of the word "master" is teacher or one who instructs. Since history dawned upon mankind many masters in every age, clime, habitation and country have existed. They have taught in their vocations of life and have either failed or succeeded.

Plato, a thinker, philosopher, and master, taught things that have not stood the test of time. Many things of which he was master have crumbled down and even been forgotten.

Napoleon, the eminent Corsican, probably the most outstanding of all military men in history, was once master of the snowy plains of Russia, he was master of Egypt. When in the presence of the pyramids he said to his soldiers, "Soldiers, from yonder pyramid forty centuries look down upon you." Napoleon was master of Europe when kings stood at attention in his presence. Napoleon is gone, the world marches on as if he never existed.

Descartes, the most influential mathematical genius that France ever produced, lived and was master of mathematics. He owed his mathematical fame to the master Jesuits. He catalogued the stars with marvelous industry and astounded the then-known world with his great ability. The ages have come and gone, other mathematicians have profited by his mastership.

Newton, a man whom England has honored for ages, a master whose arithmetical fame has discovered the law of gravitation, whose fame has been instrumental in probing the mystery of the milky way, in whose bosom rests thirty thousand million planets, is to-day somewhere in the beyond resting, but he was master of all he surveyed.

William J. Bryan, the philosopher from Nebraska, will ever be remembered and renowned for his untiring and Herculean efforts at the celebrated monkey trial at Dayton, Tennessee a few years ago. What strikes us most is that Mr. Bryan was master there and that he exploded the dangerous theory that our foreparents originated from the lower animals of life. Thank God for a soldier like him, who was Master of the Book of Genesis and who recognized that the Rock of Ages was superior to the ages of rocks.

What conclusion is to be drawn from the life, the teachings, and the death of the Master, Jesus. Reared in a carpenter's shop, with no knowledge of literature, save that of the Bible, with no acquaintance with philosophers living, or with the writings of sages dead, this man, who was destined to be *master*, gathered a few faithful disciples about

Him, and published a code of morals that the world had never known before. He declared Himself Master, He taught and performed miracles for a few months, then hung His head on the dark brow of Calvary and said, "It is finished." His disciples were scattered, many of them met doom and His claims were disputed; His resurrection was denied. The religion, He as master taught, has spread to the hearts of millions who reverence His name.

The world at this hour is in search of peace of mind and heart. Every heart that ever beat has sought for peace and many have sought this peace in various ways. Millionaires have sought to purchase it with cinkered gold and rusty silver. Many of those who have tried to purchase peace with riches have failed. The peace of heart that the Master Jesus has in store can be purchased by obedience, faith, honesty, and application. This peace brings a sweet, calm, smooth moving river of life through the tender soul. This peace brings fond recollections and happier days here and finally points the way to that millennial dawn that is just across from the sunset of life.

Many have thought to purchase peace in social destination, but this gay life, filled with pomp and splendor, has failed to satisfy the hungry soul. Many have sought peace in political prominence, but whether political fame comes by election or by birth, it does not bring peace. The Master did not make the peace of heart depend upon the accumulation of wealth, or securing social distinction. The beggar in tattered rags, the millionaire in his palace, the peasant in his hovel, the filthy in their degradation, all have access to peace through the Master Jesus.

Jesus was never a greater master than when He confronted the adulterous woman as related in John 8:11. Hypocrites of the rankest sort came on the scene, accused this woman of wrongdoing. The Master made a very remarkable statement when He said, "Let him that is without sin cast the first stone." One by one the accusers slipped away and the Master rose up and said, "Neither do I condemn thee." In this statement Jesus made Himself famous, and taught us this, that we should help each other when the trials of life come. Why not praise men for the good qualities in their lives and leave the bad ones for God to deal with? Why not place flowers upon the brow of the living? Why wait till one is called in death to bring flowers?

So long as languages are spoken, so

long as the sun travels his course through the heavens, so long as the silvery rays of the moon break their peace upon the calm, just so long and longer will the Master Jesus be remembered by those who traveled through the valley of regeneration, who caught the vision of sanctification and pioneered through the cheery fields of Pentecost.

Jesus, the Master, is master of life, death, the soul, and the eternal hope that we have of the coming ages.

Sometimes it appears that we can look to an eastern dawn, seemingly we can hear the shout of the archangel, the blowing of trumpets, and see the appearance of the Son of man upon the clouds of burnished gold, we see Him as thousands of saints in His presence praise His name. He comes to earth to set up a millennial dawn. Kings, rulers of darkness, dictators and every imaginable evil dignitary bow their knees to Him, who said, "Peace, be still." The world that has so long defied Jesus will then say, "The great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?" Thence, Jesus the Master, will be spiritual dictator over a world that was once benighted but is now calm and spiritually full as the river of holy water that flowed through the soul. Let us look to Jesus, our Master and our Savior.

## Still on the Firing Line

VANNDAL, Ark.—We are glad to report that we are still alive in Christ Jesus in Arkansas and still on the firing line. Praise the Lord. We are glad to tell the people we are proud of our new pastor, Brother W. G. Mims. I think he is a man of God and we are proud to have him in our home. He lives about sixty miles from the church, so we ask the prayers of the saints that God will make a way for him to get located closer to the church that he might do a greater work among the people at this place.

We are proud of our state overseer, Brother Odis Smith. I feel that God is with him and believe he will do a wonderful work in the state this year, as there is a great field to work in. I am also proud of the Evangel. I think every home should have it, for it is a wonderful paper. Every Friday night I read every article before retiring, and as I read I can feel the joy rolling over and over in my soul and sometimes it overflows.

Friends, I'm glad of a salvation that we can feel and one that other people can see. Please pray that this church will stand by our pastor through every conflict and that it will rise and shine for Jesus and that the circle will not be broken around God's throne. — Your brother in Christ, Harvey Parker, Box 54.



## Orphanage Report

### ORPHANAGE RECEIPTS

Cash receipts for last quarter, 1936: Alabama, \$175.27; Arkansas, \$32.80; Arizona, \$2.86; California, \$70.41; Colorado, \$1.81; Delaware, \$6.90; Florida, \$344.53; Georgia, \$146.21; Iowa, \$2.43; Illinois, \$102.61; Indiana, \$30.37; Kansas, \$13.17; Kentucky, \$139.21; Louisiana, \$16.96; Maine, \$30.20; Massachusetts, \$1.58; Maryland, \$83.41; Michigan, \$154.69; Foreign, \$12.95; New Mexico, \$11.92; Montana, \$19.50; Missouri, \$88.18; Mississippi, \$43.79; Minnesota, \$83c; North Carolina, \$418.94; North Dakota, \$40.44; Ohio, \$245.92; Oklahoma, \$24.44; Oregon, \$1.78; Pennsylvania, \$196.05; South Carolina, \$276.37; South Dakota, \$30.60; Tennessee, \$178.36; Texas, \$78.63; Virginia, \$67.21; West Virginia, \$142.18; Washington, D. C., \$3.10; Wyoming, \$2.95; Miscellaneous (sale of coupons, live stock, etc.) \$957.95; Total, \$4,197.51.

### MISCELLANEOUS

October, November, December

#### ALABAMA

Mrs. L. E. Galloway, Mentone—1 quilt, 1 candlewick bedspread.

C. of G. Y. P. E., Chapman—3 dresses, 4 1-2 yds. print, 1 Testament, 1 box hdkfs., 2 pr. bloomers, 2 pr. socks, 1 pencil box, 2 wash cloths, 1 bar soap.

#### CALIFORNIA

Louise Bell, Leevining—2 pr. gloves, 1 toy aeroplane, 1 toy car, 5 yds. prints.

#### FLORIDA

Ladies' Aid, Tampa—1 quilt.  
Violet Staser, Dover—1 coat (worn), 1 brush.

Church of God, Buford—1 sheet, 1 quilt top, 2 towels, 1 dress, 1 pr. stockings, 1 pr. pillow cases, 1 suit underwear, 1 coat, 1 pr. bloomers, 1 box washing powder, 2 bars soap, 1 coat and vest (worn).

Mrs. F. C. Campbell, Chickamauga—4 quilt tops.

Mrs. Laura Tantan, Thomaston—1 pr. underwear, 5 pr. pants, 1 shirt, 1 blouse, 1 skirt, 8 yds. prints, 2 pr. pillow cases, 1 towel, 6 yds. rickrack, 2 yds. suiting, 1 handkerchief.

#### KENTUCKY

Mrs. Floyd Fowler, Sampson—1 1-2 yds. print, 1 quilt, 1 spool thread.

Aline Jalbro, Louisville—6 hats, 6 scarfs, 12 slips, 12 sweaters (girls) 6 pr. pants, 6 sweaters (boys'), 12 dresses, 12 shirts.

The Church of God, Closplint—1 quilt.

Name unknown, Lexington—1 baseball, 3 aprons, 2 pr. bloomers, 1 hdkf.

Worn goods: 1 skirt, 1 pr. shoes, 1 pr. pants, 11 dresses, 2 pantie waists, 1 suit undies, 2 tams, 1 slip, 4 sweaters.

#### LOUISIANA

Y. P. E., Rayville—1 sheet, 24 quilt squares.

#### MARYLAND

Mrs. Carl Milligan, Easton—3 ladies' coats (worn), 1 man's overcoat (worn).

#### MICHIGAN

Ladies' Auxiliary, Grand Ledge—1 quilt, 11 yds. prints.

#### MISSISSIPPI

Y. P. E., Coffeeville—1 quilt.

#### MISSOURI

W. T. Luke, St. Joseph—8 towels, 2 wash cloths, 3 quilts, 1 bar soap, 14 yds. goods, 1 hat, 1 pack rickrack, 1 spool thread. Worn goods: 3 suits, 3 coats, 8 dresses, 3 pr. shoes, 5 tams, 1 sweater, 4 shirts, 2 waists, 1 apron.

O. B. Presley, Brighton—4 dolls, 1 teddy bear, 2 dresses, 64 doll aprons.

#### MONTANA

Mrs. Oscar Vik, Bigtimber—1 jumper suit, 3 yds. gingham.

#### NORTH CAROLINA

Church of God, Cramerton—17 dresses, 3 shirts.

Statesville—1 suit clothes (worn), 1 pr. pants (worn).

Mrs. Zoah McClure, Shooting Creek—1 quilt.

Willing Workers' Band, Belmont—1 pr. pillow cases, 4 towels, 2 pr. socks, 2 bars soap, 13 yds. cloth, 1 pr. shoes (worn), 1 pr. pants (worn).

Church of God, Biltmore (sponsored by Willing Workers Band)—20 blankets, 2 ties, 26 prs. pillow cases, 25 dresses, 1 pencil, 2 dolls, 12 ladies' uniforms, 2 sun suits, 6 towels, 3 wash cloths, 3 slips, 1 pocket book, 8 yds. prints, 1 set toy dishes, 1 puzzle, 1 toy aeroplane, 1 needle cushion, 1 toy dog.

Worn goods: 1 book satchel, 1 small boy's overcoat, 2 piano scarfs, 9 shirts, 11 wash suits, 2 caps, 3 pr. pants, 4 pillow cases, 18 pr. stockings, 2 suits, 1 pr. overalls, 2 scarfs, 1 linen coat, 1 sweater, 3 blouses, 1 sheet, 1 overall jumper, 2 pr. small pants, 16 hdkfs., 2 knit shirts, 1 pr. shorts, 4 pr. shoes, 38 dresses, 4 slips, 3 pr. pajamas, 8 nightgowns, 2 swagger suits, 2 aprons, 3 wash cloths, 1 collar, 4 pr. step-ins, 3 skirts, 1 pr. bloomers, 1 cap, 3 scarfs, 7 doilies, 1 tablecloth, 1 hat.

Mrs. Thomas Gowan, Hot Springs—4 pr. stockings, candy.

The Church of God, Tarboro—1 quilt, 5 hdkfs., 2 pr. pillow cases, 3 towels, 1 sheet, 1 tooth brush, 5 bars soap, 3 boxes soap powder, 2 1-2 yds. domestic, 9 apples.

Mrs. T. M. Beam, Belmont—2 bars soap, 4 yds. cloth, 1 mantel piece, 1 pr. socks, 1 vanity set, 2 dresses, 2 shirts,

3 pr. pants, 1 pr. bloomers, 2 towels. Worn goods: 2 pr. overalls, 2 dresser scarfs, 2 pr. teddies, 3 dresses, 1 shirt, 2 pr. pants, 2 coats.

#### NORTH DAKOTA

Church of God, Lignite—6 dresses, 2 aprons, 1 pr. bloomers, 1 dress (worn).

#### OHIO

F. B. Turner, Chillicothe—1 pr. pants. Hazel Mullins, Hamilton—1 picture book, 1 kiddie's blackboard, 3 dolls, 1 box little dolls, 1 sewing set.

Church of God, Lancaster—11 girls' dresses, 8 slips, 1 pr. bloomers, 1 pr. stockings, 2 pr. boys' stockings, 10 hdkfs., 1 hair ribbon.

#### PENNSYLVANIA

Name unknown, Adah—2 dresses.

Mr. and Mrs. Orrow Bish and family—New Bethlehem—about 31 lbs. candy.

#### SOUTH CAROLINA

M. M. Turner, Hemingway—2 sweaters, 2 pr. stockings, 3 pr. bloomers, 1 tam, 2 yds. print, 3 hdkfs., 1 3-4 yds. outing.

#### TENNESSEE

Mrs. Douglas Buni, Sparta—1 quilt.

Miss Dorothy Hazel Wells, Byington—1 quilt.

W. B. Vance, Shell Creek—10 lbs. popcorn.

D. C. Renner, Cleveland—1 crate oranges, 1 crate tangerines.

Attorney Mayfield, Cleveland—1 crate oranges, 6 lbs. candy, 1 bu. apples, 1 stalk bananas.

Hardwick Foundry, Cleveland—1 heater (valued at \$38.00).

Masonic Lodge, Cleveland—2 baskets fruit.

#### TEXAS

C. F. Meador, Iowa Park—4 1-2 yds. print, 4 pr. pants, 4 towels, 1 suit, 1 quilt.

47 Cherry St., Paris—2 dresses, 1 kimona, 1 brassiere.

#### VIRGINIA

Mrs. C. K. Puffenberger, Deerfield—1 quilt.

Church of God, Shorts Creek—2 quilts.

Mary King, Woodlawn—5 dresses.

#### WEST VIRGINIA

Mrs. P. C. Brown—10 tams, 1 pr. socks, 1 pr. gloves, 1 scarf, 1 collar, 3 sweaters, 1 jacket, 3 coats, 4 hats, 1 suit underwear, 1 pocket book, 1 head band, 3 slips, 2 pr. pajamas, 3 gowns, 5 dresses, 2 aprons, 2 knit shirts.

Brother Howard D. Statum, Bayard—1 quilt.

Mrs. T. F. Davis, Glovergap—3 lbs. popcorn, 1 dress, 1 teddy-bear suit, 2 dolls (used), 3 boxes jello, two dozen tangerines, 6 lbs. candy, 1 lb. nuts.

Sister Grace Grant, address unknown—1 quilt.

Name and address unknown—1 quilt.

## Requests

Please pray for a revival which began Dec. 26 at Aitken, Minn.—H. E. Ramsey, state overseer, Minnesota.

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I've had a severe pain in my head for a number of days. Please pray a special prayer that God will heal me.—Miss Coarney Cox, Rt. 2, Piedmont, Ala.

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Please pray for my mother who is seriously ill with T. B. and heart trouble. Pray that God will save her soul and heal her if it is His will. Those who know me pray earnestly for this request.—Mrs. C. E. Richard, Keener, Ala., Rt. 1.

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Please pray for our little boy to be healed of a cough which he has had about two months. My address is changed from Cropwell, Ala. to Eden, Ala., Rt. 1.—Leola Lee, clerk of Cropwell church.

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Please pray for me and my husband. We are afflicted with something like rheumatism. I suffer so much. Pray for my husband and children to be saved and get the baptism of the Holy Ghost.—A humble sister, Mrs. R. R. Pierce, Gordo, Ala., Rt. 2.

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Please pray that my baby and mother will be completely healed. My baby is better but not well. Pray that my husband will be saved before it is too late.—Your sister in Christ, Bernice Gentry, 42 Cottage St., Calhoun, Ga.

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Please pray earnestly for the healing of my body. I am in pain nearly all the time, I am not a member of the Church of God but I know God will answer the prayers of His children. Also pray for the blessing of my soul.—R. D. Owens, Taylorsville, Miss., Rt. 2.

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Please pray that God will heal my wife, Sister Ellen Easley, who is suffering much with an inward cancer.—Yours in the name of Jesus, Virgil Easley, Dorchester, Tex.

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Dear saints, the devil has been fighting us here in this little town of Salem, Ore. ever since we first started. We have had a hard battle but we know the Lord is able to undertake for us. When we first started our little church the Lord blessed in a wonderful way, but when the Lord works the devil is working hard too. The law was after us several times and tried to stop us. The second Sunday night our pastor was here the Lord blessed and two small girls went through to the Holy Ghost, then the

police came and we were under arrest. Now we have moved out of town and bought a lot right out of the city limits, and by the Lord's help we plan to build a church of our own. We ask the saints everywhere to pray that the Lord will make it possible for us to soon build our church. Pray that the Lord will undertake for this place and that He will put the burden on some one's heart to help us. Please pray for us, dear saints.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Perry Lee, clerk, 1075 N. Capital St., Salem, Ore.

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Please pray for me and my family. Pray that the Lord will undertake for my head, I suffer so much with headaches, also that He will heal my body. Pray for my unsaved loved ones. Pray that my husband will receive the Baptism. Pray until your prayers go through.—A sister in Christ, Burnice Lee, 1075 N. Capital St., Salem, Ore.

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Please pray for us that God will provide us a church in Greenville, N. C., also pray that we will rise and shine for God. Brother Earl Hammon from Juniata, Pa. is our pastor.—Eddie Arnold, clerk, Grimesland, N. C.

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Please pray a special prayer for my daughter. She has a pain in her right side. Pray that she will be saved. Also remember the other loved ones of my family as I am trusting God with all the faith I have.—Your sister in the Church of God, Julia LaChance, Fredericktown, Mo.

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Dear saints, please pray that my husband will be saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. Pray for our church here at Cave City that we might get a church house, also pray for the saints. I want you to pray a special prayer for me. I had a boil in my head and it isn't well, it gives me some trouble. I know God can heal. Pray that my mother will get the Holy Ghost. I also have some unsaved brothers whom I want to see saved.—Your sister in Christ, Mrs. Ethel Brown, Cave City, Ark., Rt. 2.

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Please pray for God to heal my body of rheumatism. At times I can hardly move. Last April Brother Rouse prayed for me and I was healed of sinus trouble and mastoiditis, so I know He can heal. Please pray that I will be instantly healed, for I am trusting Him.—F. B. Kirby, Box 53, Wickham, W. Va.

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Dear saints, the enemy is surely working hard against us, so we ask the saints everywhere to remember us in your prayers that we may be able to complete the church building and have it paid when it is finished.—Lily Euline Lee,

clerk, 1650 5th Ave., S. Decatur, Ala.

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Dear saints, I am in need of the most earnest prayers of God's children. Please breathe a prayer as you read this request. I am still trusting Jesus to make me stronger.—Yours for God and His Church, Charles Lee Gibbs, Marion, Tenn.

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Please pray for the entire healing of my body. At times my left side hurts so badly. Unless God undertakes I'll have to go to the hospital. Pray that I might have faith. Please don't pass this by.—An unworthy sister in Christ, Miss Gaye Painter, Campus, W. Va.

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Dear saints, please pray a special prayer that the Lord will heal me of lumbago. Pray for the little church here at Smithers, some have become so unconcerned.—J. E. Cooper, Smithers, W. Va., Box 72.

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Please remember my oldest boy in special prayer for healing. Also remember my entire family and the Greiner family in prayer.—One who loves the Lord, Mrs. Hugendubler, Hershey, Pa., Rt. 1.

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We began a revival at Brewertown, Tenn., Dec. 27. We ask all the Church of God people to pray for us. They don't have a pastor here but we believe we can have a good revival.—Your brother in Christ, Avery Lane.

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Please pray that we may have a revival. Remember an unspoken request and pray that I will stay in God's will. Please remember my unsaved daddy, brother, and sisters. I am young in the way, so please pray for me.—Your sister in Christ, Miss Madge Ranew, Stillmore, Ga., Rt. 2.

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I have an unspoken request. Please pray earnestly for it. Pray that I will get closer to God.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Lizzie McLendon, Stillmore, Ga., Rt. 2.

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Please pray for my mother and father-in-law. Mother hasn't been able to do much work in years and she is unsaved. My father-in-law is unsaved and has heart trouble, he is in a very bad condition. I have many unspoken requests. I'm sure God understands all my troubles and heartaches. If you dear saints will fast and pray in behalf of these requests, I'll highly appreciate it. I belong to the Church of God at Rock Hill and have the blessed Holy Ghost. Please pray for my unsaved home.—Your humble sister, Nellie Sexton, Rock Hill, S. C., 473 Adams St.



## REPORTS

### The Prayer of Faith

Just as sure as the prayer of faith is offered, something is going to take place. There will be a fulfillment because God says in His Word, Heaven and earth shall pass away but my words shall not pass away and whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name He will give it to you, John 15:16. All things whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer believing ye shall receive, Matt. 21:22. Just as sure as such a prayer is offered it will bring an answer from God.

When Peter was in prison the prayer of faith ascended in his behalf and the effect of that prayer was the prison doors were opened and Peter was led out, even while they were yet praying. When Elijah prayed for rain he did not pray without results. He kept praying until He got an answer by the rising of the cloud, showing that there was a sign although there had been a drouth for three and one-half years.

Where the prayer of faith is offered the Word of God will be fulfilled. Therefore, if you desire to know what the effect of your prayer will be, read the Word of God and find out what is promised for you and you can easily draw your conclusions as to the result of your prayers. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.—W. L. Nixon, Cropwell, Ala., Rt. 2.

### Blessed Revival Held

BRISTOL, Tenn.—Dear readers, our revival began Oct. 21 and closed Nov. 15 with Brother Orion L. Alewine and evangelistic party in charge. We praise God because His promises are still the same, even in this evil day, when hearts seem so hardened. When His people call upon Him He always hears. Bless His dear name. As the soul-stirring messages went forth under the great anointing power of the Holy Ghost saints were made to realize their need of a closer walk with Jesus, backsliders "came to themselves" and decided to come back home to their faithful Father who had so patiently awaited their return; while precious hearts who never knew this wonderful Father or His dear Son became hungry to make this journey with us and sent up their names that their mansions may be ready.

Twenty-one were saved, thirteen sanctified, seven filled with the Holy Ghost, and seven added to the church. How we praise God that these precious souls were rescued before too late and our prayers shall continue to go up for the many

who failed to take heed to that small Voice that was pleading and knocking so earnestly at their hearts' door.

We praise God for Brother and Sister Alewine and party, and for their faithful labors with us. We feel that when they reach home there will be even new sheaves added as result of the seed they have sown. May God ever bless and prosper them in the great efforts they are putting forth for Him.

Remember Bristol in your prayers. God has blessed us with a dear shepherd who spends his time in caring for his flock. We love Brother and Sister Cook and also our dear and faithful state overseer.—The Church of God in Bristol, Mrs. A. L. Waters, clerk, 24 14th St.

### It is Better to Trust the Lord

LIVE OAK, Fla.—Dear saints, I am still praising my blessed King Jesus for salvation. Nearly six years ago He saved me from sin, sanctified me, and filled me with the Holy Ghost. I am still determined to go all the way. I want to be more like Jesus, so when I go the last mile of the way He can say, Well done, thou good and faithful servant.

I like to praise Him for divine healing too, for I have been healed so many times by His healing power and I am still trusting Him with both soul and body. David said it was better to trust the Lord than put confidence in man.

I am praising the Lord for the Church of God at Dowling Park, Fla. We thank the Lord for Sister Bessie Lyle, who came here and fought some hard battles and sowed good seed for the Church. She also pastored here for a while and was faithful. May God bless her, we still love her. We also love and appreciate our new pastor, Brother John Land. We feel he is a real man of God. Pray for our Sunday School, also for the precious young people. Please don't pass this by. If Sister Rebecca Carmichael sees this, please write me.—A sister under the blood, Mrs. D. L. McMillen, R. F. D. 5, Box 80.

### A Report from the Big Island District

I am writing this in memory of our work with the good saints in Kansas. We long to be back with you though God has blessed our work in this district. This year just before the General Assembly we set three small churches in order; one near Kennett, one five miles south of Carnihersville, and the other at Braggadocio. Here we have a new church house 40x50 almost finished and there are only seven members. But say, they are workers. We are looking forward for a real church. We have found some near Carnihersville who are real Church of God material. They pay their tithes. And our good folks at Hemphill near Kennett

will surely show you hospitality.

At this time we are in a revival at Holland, Mo. Six have been saved the past two weeks. We have a church house here which we have secured since the Assembly. If any will endure hardness as a good soldier, come over west of the Mississippi and help us. The Vicksburg church has a good pastor and is getting along fine. We also have Dudley and Big Island churches in our district. But as I have been working for support (mostly) I have not visited them since the Assembly. Pray for us and the work.—D. K. Murphy, district overseer, coworker, Ernest Meeks, Rt. 1, Box 159, Steele, Mo.

### Many Victories

JACKSONVILLE, Fla.—Dear saints, just another victory to report over the devil. Just a few days ago I fractured some of my ribs. They pained me very severely. I did not take any medicine or have my side tapped, I just had Brothers Godwin, Brown, and J. T. Kelley to pray for me, and in two days my side was healed completely. I truly thank the Lord for it and many other victories.

I am only saved and sanctified. Please pray for me to receive the Holy Ghost soon.—Your brother in Christ, Alfred Boree, 5915 Plum St.

### Many Blessed in Revival

CLEVELAND, Miss.—A ten days' revival closed at Joseph Chapel, Cleveland, Miss., Dec. 15, with Brother A. V. Beaubé doing the preaching. Our pastor, Brother Wm. R. Fowler, was present every service and helped every way he could. The Lord blessed in many ways.

On Sunday, Dec. 13, we had a home coming day. Members from different parts of the state were here. Sunday night our pastor gave a dime march and the amount of collection was \$15.17. The last night of the meeting Brother Beaubé gave a message on "Will these dry bones live again, and the light and dark ages." People sat spellbound while the message was given. We appreciate our pastor and the work he is doing for us.—Mrs. Ogar Hutchinson, Rt. 2, Box 191.

### Good Revival Held

LUNDALE, W. Va.—Dear brethren, I am thankful for the Church of God at Lundale. My wife was saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. I am also praising and thanking God for saving and sanctifying me and my son. I praise Him for our pastor, Brother Hill. He has been running a revival in which thirteen have been saved, nine sanctified, and nine filled with the Holy Ghost. Pray for me.—Your brother in Christ, Sam Lang.

## News from the Mission Field

ZENO C. THARP, Secretary, Mission Board

### When the Foreign Mail Comes in!

Mrs. V. Berg, China

Leaving friends and home and country,  
Landed on a heathen shore,  
Missionaries' hearts are aching  
As they toil from door to door.  
But there comes a day of gladness  
Hearts are light and faces grin,  
Surely something great has happened?  
Yes, the foreign mail comes in!

Oft we get such loving letters,  
From the friends we prize so dear,  
And our hearts with joy go bounding  
For these letters bring good cheer.  
Do you wonder that we're happy  
And that all the victory win,  
When we know a steamer's landed  
And the foreign mail comes in?

Tears and trials are forgotten,  
And all eyes are sparkling bright,  
Merry laughter wakes the echo  
As we dance with pure delight.  
Here's cheque to pay the preacher  
Cash to pay the working men,  
Burdens lift from off our shoulders  
When the foreign mail comes in.

When the outlook's dark and dreary,  
God wants faith and courage rare,  
That will scale the highest summit,  
Breathing there the heavenly air;  
Saying: Nothing now can move me  
Since on Christ my hope is stayed,  
I am living in His glory,  
Though the mail-boats are delayed.

There is always mail from heaven,  
And we're going to break the seal  
To behold what God has written,  
Then our hearts will comfort feel;  
So with fresh-born strength and courage  
Will each new day begin,  
Waiting not for future gladness  
When the foreign mail comes in.

Dear ones, after waiting and watching for, I think, two or three weeks we have received some mail from beloved ones in the homeland. How the above verses express our feeling as we opened and read the encouraging and loving letters!

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### A Call to Prayer

BERTHA N. COOK

There is great agitation going on here in Travancore State by the Eravus. These Eravus are a caste next below the Nairs, which, together with the Brahmins, form the highest caste of Travancore. There are 800,000 of them in Travancore. They claim that they lack political freedom, as well as religious freedom. Though they are Hindus and donate liberally to the temples, they are not allowed to come

even on the premises of the temples. For many years they have been trying to get religious freedom.

Recently the general secretary of this society was imprisoned for some political reasons and this has caused great irritation. Hoping to get political as well as religious freedom, about ninety per cent of them have decided to join the Protestant Christians. In a great religious gathering of Syrian Christians, some of their leaders were present and voiced their sentiments. Of course, this movement is only carnal, but it opens a door of opportunity for earnest seekers of Christ to come out into a greater freedom. From our experience with the Eravus, we know what persecution they have suffered from their own community when they came out.

You may remember my writing about our precious Christians of Noornad who are of this caste, how they were fearfully persecuted but they have stood firm and are very earnest Christians. John of Noornad, was the first one to come out, after which his wife, sister, and mother came out and were baptized in water, also two other Eravus. More have been ready for water baptism for sometime. Because of fear of persecution John's sister, Esther, was brought to headquarters directly after her water baptism. She did not know how to read, but being bright, quickly learned to read the Scriptures. She has also received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, and whatever meeting she is in, her testimonies are stirring and touching. Mr. Cook has been pleased to hear her reproduce points from his messages. The efforts of our ministry have been well repaid even by this one precious soul.

About a mile from us lives an Eravu widow who has a large family. Some of the children have been coming to our Sunday School at headquarters and we have rejoiced to see how wondrously the seed has taken root in the children. The mother would have come out together with an older married daughter, who was healed in answer to prayer, but for fear of persecution they have been secret disciples. The bright, little girl of thirteen years, who has been attending Sunday School, can repeat Bible verses and has given her heart to the Lord. One day she came to us with a sore foot bandaged and walking on her heel. When we asked about it she said it was because of a thorn getting in it. People advised her to

have it treated, but she said, "I prayed and I believe Jesus will heal it." Of course, we too felt that it should be looked after, but not to dampen her faith and to encourage her, we prayed for her. The Lord honored her faith and healed her.

About a year ago because of poverty, the mother had her married to a young man of their caste. The little darling has come to us crying, but what could be done? Of late her mother has regretted this. One day this girl, together with another married girl of the same caste, came to us on the quiet saying, "We have left our husbands. Please send us away somewhere to some mission where we can be brought up for the Lord. My mother is willing." We had to tell them it was impossible to comply with their wishes because they were married and court action might be taken against us.

Will you not pray for this widow and her family? Just recently her son of about fifteen years of age passed away, but during his illness he had given his heart to the Lord and we believe he went to be with Him. Pray very much for the work amongst the Eravus, and help as the Lord enables you. Jesus is coming soon. Let us all be faithful to Him. "The night cometh when no man can work."

### MISSION RECEIPTS

From the various states for the quarter ending December 31, 1936:

Alabama, \$161.14; Arkansas, \$19.63; Arizona, \$1.37; California, \$14.87; Delaware, \$2.18; District of Columbia, \$1.41; Florida, \$264.23; Georgia, \$94.73; Indiana, \$15.49; Illinois, \$94.92; Kansas, \$6.21; Kentucky, \$59.71; Louisiana, \$16.72; Maine, \$10.72; Maryland, \$67.53; Michigan, \$51.74; Mississippi, \$41.84; Missouri, \$35.07; Massachusetts, \$28c; Minnesota, \$2.39; Montana, \$4.74; North Carolina, \$472.96; North Dakota, \$8.51; New Mexico, \$3.69; Ohio, \$118.21; Oklahoma, \$17.31; Oregon, \$19.14; Pennsylvania, \$96.61; South Carolina, \$171.35; South Dakota, \$8.13; Tennessee, \$120.30; Texas, \$66.09; Virginia, \$47.03; West Virginia, \$143.00; Wyoming, 6c; Assembly collection, \$1330.79; Miscellaneous sources, \$137.50.—E. J. Boehmer, Gen. Sec.

### REQUEST

Dear saints, please pray a special prayer for our boy. We believe he has T. B. We know God is able. The Lord healed him of pneumonia and I know He can heal him of T. B. if we can have faith. Pray that God will completely heal him.—Your brother and sister in Christ, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Whetstone, Avondale, Ariz.

## Death Notices

### BELL

On Oct. 1, 1936 Brother J. A. Bell of Leevining, Cal., formerly of Charleston, Miss., went to his reward. He was well known in the Church of God in North Mississippi, having served as a deacon of the church for many years. His loyalty and faithfulness to the church was a great inspiration to those who knew him. He was preparing to attend the Assembly when he took seriously ill and died two weeks later. His wife had preceded him in death eighteen years before.—T. M. McClendon, 137 Cotter Ave., Somerset, Ky.

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### BEATTY

On Dec. 3, 1936 the death angel visited the home of Mr. A. K. Beatty and claimed for its victim his loving wife, Sister Anna Beatty. The funeral was conducted by the writer, assisted by our state overseer and district overseer. Sister Beatty was a faithful member of the Church of God.—One who loved her, her pastor, E. O. Frazier, Boswell, Pa.

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### VANCE

On Dec. 9, 1936 the death angel visited the home of Andrew and Vivian Vance and claimed for its victim their little son, James Edwin Vance, age two years, ten months, and eleven days. Funeral services were conducted by Brother Van D. Browning and interment made in the Vance cemetery at Emmett, W. Va.—Written by a friend of the family.

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### JONES

George F. Jones departed this life Dec. 10, 1936 at the age of sixty-four years, ten months, and ten days. He was a member of the Church of God at Adamsville, Ala. Funeral services were conducted by M. D. Harwood and W. E. Hodo and interment made in the Midway cemetery.—Adelle Molloy.

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### EASON

Sister Nancy Eason was called from life to her reward Nov. 24, 1936. She was a member of the Church of God at Selma, N. C.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Cora Mae Salter, Box 333, Selma, N. C.

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### BARNES

Funeral services for Wayne Barnes of Newport, Tenn., Rt. 1, who was killed in a car wreck, was conducted by Brother J. S. Walker, Dec. 7, 1936.—Roy Barnes.

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### BRINKLEY

Lee A. Brinkley of Homerville, Ga.,

died Feb. 3, 1936. He was saved nearly two weeks before he died. Brother G. E. Poole conducted the funeral service and interment was made in the Homerville cemetery.—His wife, Mrs. L. A. Brinkley, Homerville, Ga.

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### DELPH

Sister Ellen Delph, wife of Brother Dale Delph, died Nov. 11, 1936. She was a member and minister of the Church of God. She suffered almost two years with cancer but bore her suffering with patience. She stayed on the battlefield until just a few weeks before her death. She was at service on Wednesday night before she died the next Wednesday, and, being too weak to stand up, she sat on the altar and testified. She trusted God and wouldn't take anything. She died with complete victory. The funeral was conducted at the Church of God by the writer and her body sent back to her home in Indiana for burial.—Her pastor, J. A. Lewis, Toledo, Ohio.

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### CARTER

Mrs. Mary Carter of Manatee, Fla. died Nov. 10, 1936. She fought a good fight and trusted God to the end. She was a faithful member of the Church of God for sixteen years and one of Manatee's most loyal members. The funeral was conducted by her pastor, Brother J. A. Self.—One who prayed with her in many battles of suffering, E. O. Kerce.

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### KAYLOR

On Nov. 20, 1936 the death angel visited the home of Sister Georgia Kaylor and took her husband, Jess Kaylor, age forty-eight years. The funeral service was conducted by Brothers S. W. Latimer, Carl Cox and Jack Crye at the South Cleveland Church of God and interment was made in Fort Hill cemetery.—Written by a friend, Mrs. J. W. Webb.

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### WESSINGER

James Wessinger, son of Brother and Sister J. W. Wessinger, departed this life Dec. 9, 1936 at the age of one year, seven months, and eleven days. Funeral services were conducted by Brother Rone Norton, Brother Rayburn and the writer. The body was laid in the Tyus cemetery to await the coming of our Lord.—One who loved him, Thad Puckett, pastor, Carrollton, Ga.

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### NAYLES

Sister Nannie Nayles departed this life recently. She was a devoted member of the Church of God. Funeral services were held in Weldon, N. C.—One who loved her, Clara Hagewood, Roanoke Rapids, N. C.

### WILSON

Brother S. A. Wilson of Rockhold, Ky., departed this life on Sunday night, Oct. 8, 1936, after an illness of several weeks. He was a minister in the Church of God for about thirteen years. He was a member of the church at Williamsburg, Ky., and was loved by all the church. To know him was to love him. He was forty-eight years of age and leaves a wife, six children, and a host of friends to mourn their loss. He was laid to rest in a cemetery near his home, on Corn Creek. His funeral was conducted by his pastor, the writer.—Starling Smith.

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### CHAMBERS

Lula Mae Chambers was born at Campaign, Ill., May 24, 1865 and died at the home of her brother, F. G. Chambers, in Cleveland, Tenn., Jan. 1, 1937, at the age of seventy-one years, seven months, and seven days. She had the baptism of the Holy Ghost and belonged to the Church of God. She enjoyed her salvation and was faithful in bearing witness to the blessings received from the Lord. The funeral was conducted by her pastor, Brother W. J. Milligan, and Brother E. J. Boehmer, and interment made in Prospect cemetery near Cleveland.

## Husband and I Received Holy Ghost

SEMINOLE, Okla.—I thank the Lord for being so good to me and my husband. The last night of the Oklahoma state camp meeting, 1936, the Lord wonderfully saved me. Then a little later, during a revival at Maud, conducted by Brother Stamper, I was sanctified and received the baptism of the Holy Ghost. My husband also prayed through to the full experience during the same meeting and we were added to the Church of God, for which we can never praise Him enough.

I thank God for a praying father and mother, also for friends who I know have prayed for me. Husband and I sincerely desire your prayers, especially our friends who see this, that we may ever be striving to do the Lord's will and be able to take Him for our Healer, because I know He can keep both soul and body.

We both have brothers and sisters who are out in sin, for whom we ask your prayers.

Our pastor, Brother Curtsinger, and his wife started a revival at Seminole Nov. 22. We are members of the church there now. Please pray that the Lord will give us a good revival that many souls will pray through and be added to the church. The work needs to be built up so much here.—Mrs. Verna Hudson.



## REVIVALS

**HIAWASSEE, Ga.**—We truly praise the Lord for the revival conducted in our home last week by Brother Earl Ledford and our pastor, Brother John T. Duckett. Six were saved, four sanctified, and three added to the church. We thank God for each new member and especially for our daughter, Alva, for whom we had prayed so much. Pray much for the church here and especially for the Lord to give us a building soon.—Your humble brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Garrett.

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**ELBERT, W. Va.**—A three weeks' revival has just closed here conducted by Brother Hatfield who attended B. T. S. last year. His messages were with power and he seemed to be at his best in giving out the gospel. Several were saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. The revival closed with communion and feet washing. We appreciate Brother Hatfield and invite him to come be with us again. His efforts were rewarded here. Remember us when you pray.—A sister who loves the Lord, Miss Dorothy Shatley.

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**WILMINGTON, N. C.**—We are very glad to report victory at this place. We just closed our revival which was conducted by Brother Vance Perkins. We were very glad to have him in our midst as the Lord used him so wonderfully in bringing these good, gospel sermons. Surely he is living close to God. Other churches of North Carolina would do well to secure Brother Perkins and wife for a series of revival services.

We feel very glad for the privilege of having Brother H. T. Durden as our pastor, and the Lord is blessing his efforts here. We can truthfully say he is a man of God and a good shepherd. We are therefore looking forward to a good year for the Church. The Lord is blessing in our radio services each Sunday afternoon at three o'clock. — Humbly, R. C. Pierce.

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**WAPELLA, Ill.**—I am praising God for the way He is blessing in Clinton. We have just closed a four weeks' meeting here with wonderful success. Seven were saved, six sanctified, three filled with the Holy Ghost, and eleven added to the church. Please pray for Clinton as this is a new place for the Church of God.—W. R. Anderson, pastor.

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**BRODHEAD, Ky.**—I praise the Lord for the way He is blessing here. Brother Dave McMillan of Franklin, Ohio ran a

five weeks' revival in which the Lord blessed. Six were saved, five or six sanctified, five filled with the Holy Ghost, and seven added to the church. Thank the Lord. I ask every one to pray for us to rise and shine. I thank the Lord for The Church of God. Brother McMillan and wife were loved by every one.—Pearl Hampton, clerk.

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**AKRON, Ohio.**—A two weeks' revival has just closed at The Church of God tabernacle in Akron which proved to be a great blessing to the church and all who attended. Brother Dewey Adams from Shannon, Ga. did the preaching, and Brother A. P. Edwards of Calhoun, Ga. favored us with guitar music and many good songs. These brothers won many friends while in Akron. The last Sunday night a full house moved forward to shake hands with them and bid them "good-bye." We are looking forward to their return to Akron soon. They are real men of God and any church will do well to get them for a revival.—R. H. Bell, pastor.

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**WEIR, Kans.**—We have just closed a wonderful two weeks' revival at Weir, Kans. Our state overseer and pastor, Brother J. B. Baney, formerly of Dyersburg, Tenn., was in charge. Two souls were reclaimed, two added to the church, and all of us received many blessings and were revived in our souls. The Word of God was brought forth with great power. Brother and Sister Orville Baney were with us a few nights and furnished special music.

Sunday, Nov. 29, the churches of Kansas held a home coming at Coffeyville. We had an all day meeting. At noon dinner was served at the church. In the afternoon we had the Lord's Supper and feet washing. Brother J. B. Baney was in charge of the night service. A wonderful time was enjoyed by all and the Lord surely did bless. Please pray for the state of Kansas and our overseer. We have a real man of God as our overseer and expect Kansas to go over the top this year by the help of God.—Miss Helen Coslet, Cherokee, Kans.

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**WINNSBORO, Tex.**—We have just closed an eleven nights' meeting here at Pine Grove with Brother J. F. Brown, a real Church of God, Spirit-filled preacher, preaching the Word of God in all its fulness. Four were saved, two sanctified, two filled with the Holy Ghost, and four added to the church. God is still bringing the light of the great Church of God to honest-hearted people. Sister Stella Hargrave is our leader this year and she is a real worker for God. We would like for all to pray that this little church will rise and shine.—Your sister

in Christ, Mrs. G. T. Ray, clerk.

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**YORK, S. C.**—God is blessing in York. A revival has just closed here for which we thank God. Thirty-four prayed through to old time victory, eighteen were sanctified, seventeen filled with the Holy Ghost, fourteen baptized in water, and seventeen added to the church. The saints were greatly revived. The revival was conducted by the pastor, Brother R. E. Lovell, whom we dearly love. He preaches the old time gospel straight and clean. This has been a hard place for many years, but I am glad that Elijah's God still lives and answers prayer. Glory to God! We now have a membership of sixty-two and we are planning to build a church building. We covet your prayers.—R. W. Childers, clerk.

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**BECKLEY, W. Va.**—The Church of God at Beckley, W. Va. is progressing and moving forward. We just closed a three weeks' revival with ten saved, nine sanctified, and four filled with the Holy Ghost. Sister Sadie Freeland did the preaching. The people showed interest in her preaching, she is a good evangelist. Pray for us that we may be found doing whatsoever our hands find to do. Let our ambition be to work for God and lost souls. Brother A. T. Little is pastor of the Beckley Church of God.—F. B. Kirby, clerk, Box 52, Wickham, W. Va.

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**BARBOURVILLE, Ky.**—The Lord greatly blessed us in the revival that just closed. Five were saved, one sanctified, one filled with the Holy Ghost, and three added to the church. Thank God for the good spirit and fellowship. The Lord helped our dear Brother Don Staten who is an evangelist indeed. Truly many said they never had heard or seen it on this wise. There was a young woman that God dealt with. She was under the power of God for more than sixteen hours. That was one night we spent at church. I had often told the seekers we would stay with them. There were about twelve who tarried with her and she came through with the Holy Ghost, for we heard Him speak. Again we ask God to bless our dear Brother Don Staten in his campaign work. Anyone wishing to get in touch with him may write him in care of me.—Respectfully, James Ramsey, Route 1.

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**JOPLIN, Mo.**—We are glad to report victory to-day. We just closed a two weeks' revival. Brother B. C. Clark did most of the preaching. Brother Hall and his children helped a few days. Eight were saved, three sanctified, and one added to the church. The saints were revived. Pray for us here.—Yours in His service, H. A. Simpson, pastor.

## Christmas in the Orphans' Home

To the Church of God everywhere: Help us rejoice in the Lord! Did I hear you say, Why? If you could have been with us Christmas, you surely would understand. First, we had with us our General Overseer, our State Overseer, and the Chairman of our Orphanage Committee and his family, which we consider a great honor. And just to see the happy faces and hear the joyful laughter of forty-six boys and fifty girls was enough to make our hearts rejoice. We are speaking of our orphans, our children and your children. They had a good Christmas. Thanks to the churches and friends and to our great God who is able to supply all our needs.

But there are some who are yet negligent. We can't believe they mean to be careless. Listen, dear ones, you better get busy if you want a real good blessing, as it's more blessed to give than to receive, Acts 20:35. Now if this brother received a greater blessing than we did, we don't see how he could stand it. Here is what he did—drove about two hundred miles to bring the orphans a gift for Christmas. Now would you like to know who this man is? None other than Brother Albert Childers, pastor of the Church of God at Biltmore, N. C. He brought \$32.00 in cash, twenty blankets, and many other nice things.

Now dear saints of God, I say again, help us rejoice. So many other churches that I could name sent many nice gifts and you will hear from them in the regular orphanage report, but I know some churches that are sure to miss a blessing if they don't awake and get these children on their hearts. They are yours and you must provide or help to provide for your own.

We're getting quite a few dresses and we surely appreciate them. We've just

received a letter desiring to know what we need. We need overalls and shirts, sizes from three to sixteen years, sheets, pillow cases, bedspreads, and most anything you can use in your own homes. We have about one hundred beds to furnish and it takes so many sheets, as the law says we must use two sheets to each bed. Think of more than two hundred sheets a week.

We have so many applications for homes for orphans and it grieves our hearts to think of having to turn them down. Now if you will help us, we will do our best to care for them all. We have no more room for girls. Saints, pray that God will help us to provide homes for these orphan children who need our help.

We just read a card one little boy wrote home to his brother. The little fellow told his brother he had had the best Christmas he ever had in his life and wouldn't leave here for anything. Now, dear saints, doesn't that make your hearts rejoice, to know that you have helped to provide shelter, food, and clothing, also a good Christmas for the homeless? If all the states would get busy and help like some are already helping, we could provide homes for all the homeless children in a short while.

Dear state overseers, get this on your hearts and help us to carry this burden. Let's work together in unity with love and I am sure that God will pour us out a blessing that we won't have room to receive. Do you wonder about how we manage the home? Visit us sometime and remember to pray for us always.

With a heart full of love for everyone, your brother in Christ and manager of the Church of God orphanage, Clifford J. Eller.

### THE MILLENNIUM

By Wm. Burton McCafferty

Proclaim ye the gospel of freedom,  
And sound the glad tidings of peace;  
The down-trodden children of Jacob,  
From bondage shall find a release.

For judgment shall run as the waters,  
When Jesus Messiah shall reign.  
And righteousness flow like a river,  
Throughout His far-reaching domain.

And then shall the offering of Judah  
Be pleasant as in former days;  
The smoke of the evening oblation  
Shall rise with the psalms of His praise.

The hoary haired sons of the fathers  
Shall lift up their voices and sing,  
The maidens with timbrels and dances

Shall gladly proclaim Him as their  
King.

The harp and the high sounding cymbal  
Shall send forth their strains on the  
breeze,  
The harp shall ne'er hang on the willows,  
While Israel weeps 'neath the trees.

"The power of the Mighty is broken,  
The yoke of the wicked cast down;  
The King of the ages has conquered—  
Messiah is wearing the crown.

"The miracles He sware unto David—  
His covenant with Jesse's Offspring,  
Hath God, in His kindness, remem-  
bered."

Both Judah and Israel sing.

The echoing sound of the anthem  
Shall tell of a nation made free;

The sweet solemn call of the trumpet  
Shall sound for the great Jubilee.

The nations shall sing with the Hebrews,  
The isles of the sea with the Jews;  
For Israel shall shout the glad tidings,  
And Judah proclaim the good news.

The Scepter of righteousness ruleth,  
And Equity holdeth her sway,  
And gone are the minions of darkness  
Defeated by sons of the day.

The songs of the prophets of Zion—  
The visions of Israel's seers;  
At last are fulfilled in King Jesus,  
Who reigns for a thousand glad years.

—Taken from "Jewish Missionary Magazine."

### Good Revival at Flint, Mich.

FLINT, Mich.—We praise the Lord for the wonderful four and one-half weeks' revival conducted by our dear, consecrated Brother McGuire. Twenty were saved, six sanctified, and five baptized with the Holy Ghost. Even though the revival is closed the revival spirit is still with us in a wonderful way. Praise the Lord.

We thank God too for our new church building which we have because of the interest and zeal of our pastor, Brother L. L. Turner. We have a good pastor and we appreciate him and his wife. He has stood by his little flock, helped and encouraged them until our number has increased from a membership of fifteen to one hundred thirty-nine in the three years he has been here. Not only has he stood by us, but we have done our best to stand by him. It isn't only the large membership that we are striving for, but it's God in our midst. He certainly has blessed the little flock in Flint and we expect to hold out faithful.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Pauline Mathis.

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## Bible School Echoes

### It is Wonderful to Serve God

Dear saints of God everywhere: I am glad because I can report victory in my soul. I am glad for the deep settled peace that abides with me from day to day. It seems as if I have so many things to praise the Lord for I hardly know where to start.

I am thankful for the time Jesus came into my life and saved me from sin, sanctified me by His blood, and filled me with heaven's sweet Holy Ghost. Too, I truly thank the Lord for the privilege of attending B. T. S. I have learned to love the school and the students are so nice. It seems good to be with such a crowd of God-filled young people, and we all love our teachers. They are so consecrated and ready to help us at any time. I really thank the Lord for them.

We have students' prayer service every Friday and Sunday afternoon. Oh, how the Lord does meet with us in a mighty way! It is wonderful to serve a true and living God, one who can comfort us just when we need Him most. Praise the good Lord.

Dear ones, when you pray please remember me, and ask God's blessings on me that I may live so my Lord can use me anywhere or anytime.—Mildred Grifis, Selma, North Carolina.

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### What Bible School Means to Me

Dear Evangelists readers and teachers of the Bible School, words can't express what Bible School means to me. I truly praise the Lord for the privilege of being in B. T. S. again this year. I know it is by the great hand of God that I am here and it surely is a good place for young boys and girls to come to learn about the Word of God. We have Holy-Ghost-filled teachers and they have patience with every one and don't show partiality in any way.

I know the Lord has been good to me to let me come to B. T. S. I have found the presence of the Holy Ghost here and we surely do have a grand time every day and especially on Friday afternoons. The presence of the Lord comes down and we have a wonderful time.

Everyone that reads this please pray for us that we will make a success for the Lord and in Bible School and that we can be a blessing to those that don't know the Lord.—Thurmon Pierson.

### God is With Us All the Time

Dear saints, please pray for my father, that he will get saved and receive the Holy Ghost before it is too late. I believe that I am called to preach so pray for me. Listen, saints, the devil will try us but, thank God, I am glad that God is with us all the time. Pray for me that I may go on and serve God and do what He would have me do.—A brother in Christ, Meriel Akins.

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### Afflicted With Arthritis

I want every one to pray that God will touch and heal my body, and fill me with the Holy Ghost. I am afflicted with arthritis. On my way to the Assembly a year ago I was in a car wreck. I was unable to move for months and could not feed myself. Lying in bed so long started acute indigestion which almost takes my life at times. I sent a request to the Bible School at Cleveland and I feel better. Thank you for your prayers, and if any wish to, please write to me.—Dan Davis, Estatoe, N. C.

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### Who'll Go in the Rapture

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ganizations or false creeds and things that are not true to the doctrine of the Bible. Of course these are tribulation saints spoken of, and they reach this state of holiness after the rapture. I use this to show that the word "virgin" has reference more than to a pure, unmarried woman. The character of virgins is principally given to those who adhere steadfastly to Christ and have within their hearts that blessing that may be obtained through the death and suffering of Christ and through His intercessions to the Father for those who will accept Him. In 2 Cor. 11:2 the writer says, "I have espoused you unto one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin unto Christ." I think this is enough to show that all ten were called virgins from the standpoint of profession and the acceptance of the truth.

The vital point at issue here is that five had no oil in their vessels with their lamps. The wise virgins were careful to have oil in their vessels with their lamps. They were confident that they had that that would admit them. From the scripture and comment just given no man could say that the foolish virgins were not professors and in all probability they had accepted Christ, but they had just failed to have oil in their vessels with their lamps. This brings us face to face with the main thought at issue in this scripture. It is pitiful when we see how careless people are and especially how ministers and leaders of congregations will set aside the main truth so plainly brought out in these scriptures.

You may take the word "oil" and

all through the Bible it refers to the Holy Ghost. For the sake of respect to those who may read this I will use the word that is so plausible and so commonly used among those who are anxious to please all that may hear them—the anointing or filling of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Ghost and the Holy Spirit are synonymous and they both mean the same thing. As Jesus so plainly spoke of the third person of the Trinity in John 14:16, 26; 15:26, He referred to Him as the Holy Ghost and I feel that we should behold and are warranted in using the same terms that He did. Now to make myself plain, I believe this oil that these five wise virgins had represents none other than the Baptism of the Holy Ghost which we may receive after we meet the conditions.

Jesus said to those followers of His in John 14:17, "Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you." This is evidence that the Spirit was with the early followers who were children of God because Jesus had told them that their names were written in heaven.

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### So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

MANATEE, Fla.—About a year ago I asked the Lord to touch my body and heal me of some kind of smothering spells. He has so wonderfully heard and answered prayer. Praise the dear Lord. He is so good to me. It is so sweet to trust in Jesus.

I have an unspoken request which I want every saint of God to pray for. Pray that God will grant it. He is able to keep me from every evil influence of the devil. Praise the Lord for all His precious blessings to me. I love Him and am striving to be ready to meet Him in peace.—A sister under the blood, Mrs. Sayde Edenfield, 1524 7th Ave.

## STATE CONVENTIONS

Haiti State Convention  
Port Au Prince, Jan. 14-17  
J. VITAL HERNE, Overseer

Bahamas  
January 15-17  
W. E. RANEY, Overseer

Jamaica  
January 28-31  
H. A. HUDSON, Overseer

The overseers will be expected to arrange the place, entertainment and programs in their respective territory.—J. H. Walker, General Overseer.



## Ladies' Willing Workers Band

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cacies, and selling the product of their labor at a fair and reasonable price for the benefit of the Lord's work. In fact, they should. It is wise for them to do so, according to the way the women and God looked at it in Moses' day. "All the women whose heart stirred them up in WISDOM spun"—worked, to provide for the HOUSE OF GOD.

I quote from the 1936 Minutes of the Church of God on Page 135, under the caption of

### LADIES' WILLING WORKER BAND

"That each local church organize and maintain an auxiliary, which shall be generally known as the 'Ladies' Willing Worker Band.' Officers of each organization shall consist of a president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer, which organization shall be under the jurisdiction of the pastor of each local church.

"The purpose of the said organization is to meet each week, or as often as convenient, to engage in such legitimate pursuits as may seem profitable, to raise, funds to be disbursed in behalf of the local church needs. It is further understood that each local organization, after consulting with their pastor, shall disburse their funds according to their best judgment.

"Where an organization of this type is functioning under a different name, it may continue if they so desire." 31st A., P. 135.

Notice PASTORS. To *organize* means to *start it going*. To *maintain* means to *keep it going*. Come on, pastors, organize and maintain a Ladies' Willing Worker Band in your church.

When the church house needs covering, the Willing Workers are ready to help you, when in need of a new piano, in need of more Sunday School rooms, in fact, anything about church improvements, they are ready to help. Already they have made pastors glad and served a worthy cause by buying the pastor a new suit of clothes. (Don't forget the pastor's wife either.) When you need something for the parsonage, or anything in anyway that it takes money, the Ladies' Willing Worker Band will prove a blessing to your church. One of the main purposes for having the L. W. W. B. is to raise mission money to help spread the gospel.

May God abundantly bless you, mothers and sisters, in your efforts in helping us carry on the work of the Church. We have depended on you so many times. You have helped in praying for the revival when others were careless, or unthoughtful, or busy. We appreciate your many prayers for the sick, your efforts

in the Sunday School, the Y. P. E., and now we are asking you to come on and help us bear such financial burdens as are conveniently possible for you.

We are laborers together with God. It pleases God that we labor together with each other, in fact, unless we can work together, it is evident all are not working with God.—A booster for the L. W. W. B.

## NOTICES

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Tomnolen, Miss. submitted by Brother W. M. Mitchell pertaining to six acres of land that lies well and is on a national highway that is being paved, the highway leading directly through the state east and west. It is in about twenty-three miles of a highway leading north and south through the state, said highway being paved. It is also convenient to the railroad with two trains each way, east and west, also two buses. There is also a deep well near by (700 feet deep), electricity, telegraph, etc. To say it would be a wonderful location would be putting it mild. Now if you have not raised your assessment, please hurry and mail it in to Brother Roy E. Blackwood, Morgantown, Miss, as he is treasurer.

We also wish to ask that if you are not a member and feel interested in something good, we will appreciate a good donation from you. Any amount will be appreciated.

Now a word about our mission banner. We have decided to mail it monthly to the church that raises the most missions per member. I am now wondering who will receive it first, also who will have it in the district convention. I am sure you want it in your march in the state convention. Let's get started now and do our best for this worthy cause.

To the few churches that I have not yet visited, I will be around to see you at the most reasonable date and remember that we are always ready to serve all to the best interest of the Church in general.—Your humble servant in the Master's service.—M. J. Headley, state overseer.

## EDITORIALS

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my fury upon them for the blood that they had shed upon the land, and for their idols wherewith they had polluted it: and I scattered them among the heathen, and they were dispersed through the countries: according to their way and according to their doings I judged them. And when they entered unto the heathen, whither they went, they profaned my holy name, when they said to them, These are the people of the Lord, and

are gone forth out of this land. But I had pity on mine holy name, which the house of Israel had profaned among the heathen whither they went."

We see from these scriptures that the scattering of Israel among these nations was the judgment of God upon them because of their persistent sin and wickedness. What an object lesson for us who live in this day of grace!

Sin, if not repented of, will surely bring us unto condemnation and will surely cause us much trouble and loss. There was never a time in all the history of religion when the enemy was working so hard to cause the people to miss the goal that God had intended for all His children to have. The unsettled condition of the country is alarming and the re-gathering of the Jews is too plain to be denied, and this is one of the prophecies that is being fulfilled before our eyes; and it is an index finger pointing to the soon coming of Jesus. The condition of the Church and the unrest among Christians is also an index finger pointing to His soon coming. In fact, all the Bible prophecies on these questions are rapidly being fulfilled. God help us to wake up, and take courage, and lay hold on eternal life.

### BROADCASTS

4:15 p. m. each Wednesday,  
Waycross, Ga., WAYX No. 120  
H. L. Sorrow, Pastor

Each Sunday Afternoon from  
3:45 to 4:30 E. S. T.  
Greenville S. C. Operates on 1300  
Kilocycles  
Earl Paulk, Pastor

Each Sunday from 3:00 to 3:30 p. m.  
Eastern Standard Time  
Wilmington, N. C., WMFD  
1370 Kilocycles  
H. T. Durden, Pastor

Biltmore, Canton, West Asheville  
Each Friday, 5:00 p. m., WWNC

Harrisburg, Ill., WEBQ  
1210 Kilocycles

Monday, 3:00 to 3:45 p. m.  
J. R. Thomas, Overseer

Charlotte, N. C., WSOC  
1210 Kilocycles  
Sunday, 4:30 p. m.; Thursday, 3:15 p. m.  
W. T. Nelson, Pastor

Fergus Falls, Minn., Tuesday and  
Friday, 11:00 a. m., over  
Station KGDE, 1200 kilocycles  
H. E. Ramsey and party

Anderson, S. C., WAIM  
2:00 p. m. to 2:45 p. m.  
Each Saturday  
J. C. Childers, Pastor

### Illinois Blessed With New Churches

On the evening of December 2 we set our second new church in order in the state of Illinois since coming back from the Assembly. This new church is in Alvin, Ill., located in the northeastern part of the state. We have a fine group of people now in the Church of God at Alvin. Brother Russell Berry has labored there for a number of weeks and has had the devil work against him. They first let him have the city hall. After the people began to pray through to old time victory and receive the Holy Ghost they made him move out, but God gave us another place to worship in about one-half block of the city hall. God has saved about thirty-seven in this meeting.

We also have another work we can call new. Our dear Brother W. R. Anderson has taken over a new work in Clinton, Ill. He moved a small church membership from out in the country in with this and it makes a fine work.

I have just returned from Clinton and they are having an old time revival.

We now have a place rented in Centuria, Ill. and Brother R. C. Muncy is in the battle against the devil there by this time. We ask you who read this to pray that God will continue to give us souls in Illinois.—J. R. Thomas, state overseer.

### Leave Nothing Undone

Dear Evangel readers, greetings to one and all. In regard to the ones who have written us for prayer for the body. I will write you through the blessed little Evangel which means so much to us. We have had special prayer for each one and feel that the Lord came on the scene. Praise His dear name! The Lord said in His precious Word that whatsoever we ask in His name believing, we shall receive.

One dear sister who belongs to the Church here has been healed of a bleeding cancer. Praise His dear name. Nothing is hard for the Lord to do. So let us keep looking up and trusting Him for both soul and body. Praise His dear name! Let us obey the Word, be sure we have left nothing undone. I know some who stay afflicted and don't believe in paying tithes. The Lord doesn't want us to be robbers.

Pray for us that we will stay in the center of His will and pray for the church here, we have a true blue band of saints here.

If you desire our prayers, please send self-addressed, stamped envelope and small handkerchief, as I am not able to write all otherwise. I received fifteen letters this week. Pray for us here.—F. C. Coulston, Gen. Del., Henrietta, Tex.

### The Lord is in the Work

NOKOMIS, Fla.—Dear saints, God has wonderfully answered prayer and blessed the little work at this place. I stood alone at first but now there are five of us. Praise the Lord. We are expecting more to come this way.

We are trying to build a house to worship in, as we have been meeting in the open air and it is getting too cold to continue in that way. I have been working on this proposition two weeks and have raised \$27.00. I believe the Lord is in this work. Pray that the Lord will help us in some way. I don't feel that God wants this work to stop as there are many souls here needing the Lord.

Pray for us that God will continue to help and bless us.—Your sister in Christ Mrs. Sula Boone.

### God is Blessing His Faithful Few

DAVIS, W. Va.—We truly praise and thank the Lord for the way He is blessing the Church of God here at Davis. The work here is progressing in a marvelous way and God is answering prayer and blessing His faithful few in these last days of trials and tests. We are having real soul-stirring services. The Lord is wonderfully blessing and the Holy Ghost power is manifested in every service. We thank God for our good pastor, Brother J. C. Hanks. He is truly a humble servant of God. He preaches the Bible in its fullness and really lives the life. God is so wonderfully blessing His efforts here this year. All the saints love him and appreciate his faithfulness in trying to build up the work here at Davis.

We praise the Lord for the way we can see the mighty hand of God move in every meeting, also for the interest of the saints and for the unity and love that we can feel in our midst. We are truly thankful that God has given us a praying pastor, for we know that Brother Hanks spends much of his time in prayer and supplication to God. The Lord is really blessing him here at Davis this year. Souls are praying through to victory. Eight new members have been added to the church since the Assembly and the saints feel a new touch of fire and victory ahead. Hallelujah!

Pray for us here that God's will will be done, also that the Lord will continue to give Brother Hanks real soul-stirring messages as He has been doing. Also pray for our state overseer, Brother E. C. Clark, and district pastor, Brother R. L. Rexrode, that God will bless and help them and lead them into greater victories for Him and keep them in the center of His will. Pray for us to be true and faithful.—A brother and sister in Christ, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Cassidy, Box 403.

### Blessed of the Lord

Dear Evangel readers, I thank God because I am saved, sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost and fire, and belong to the great Church of God. I have a determination to go through at any cost. Praise His name.

I am glad I can say we have one of the best preachers in the Church, one who is on fire for God and His Church. Brother Lamb preaches the Word with much power and lives the life. The church loves and stands by him with their means. His wife is so kind and good.

The Lord blessed in a wonderful way last night. One received the Holy Ghost. Please remember us in your prayers.—Humbly, Edna Allred, clerk, Thomasville, N. C.

### Heaven Comes Very Near

BONNE TERRE, Mo. — We just closed a revival here. The church was greatly revived and a number prayed through to victory. Every department of the church is on the upward move. The Sunday School and Y. P. E. are increasing in attendance and interest, also the regular services are well attended. The Willing Workers band has just been organized and the sisters have started serving in a great way.

When we came here we found a fine band of saints. Yet many were discouraged and some backslidden, but thank the Lord, every Sunday morning finds some new ones dropping in, filling their places, bringing in their tithes and offerings, and how the Lord does bless. Such melting services we have, it seems that heaven comes very near as the saints sing, shout, and testify to the goodness of God. Our fellowship here has been so sweet, we're expecting a great revival to break out in the very near future and many souls find God. We ask the prayers of all God's children.—Respectfully, John O. Yates.

### A New Y. P. E.

CHILHOWIE, Va.—We surely praise the Lord for the way He has blessed us during this part of the year. We have improved our church building by laying a hardwood floor and putting in nice benches. Thank the Lord for people who will work. Also on Nov. 29 we organized a Y. P. E. with twenty-five members. We have sponsored an excellent program each Sunday evening. We earnestly ask the prayers of all God's people.—Emmett E. Vaught, pastor.

Faith and works are partners; they cannot be dissolved without getting both out of business, as they must work jointly to receive heaven's co-operation.